



FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 19, 1936.

TODAY has been observed as a legal holiday in the State of Virginia, in honor of the birth of Robert E. Lee, one of the greatest men ever born in the Old Dominion or anywhere else on the globe. His life has been viewed from every standpoint by historians during the past third of a century. Many who have taken the pen were in no way interested in the cause for which he exerted all his military skill for four years. This class were therefore impartial, but after having studied him as one of nature's nobleman, gifted with extraordinary genius, of the gentlest and most considerate nature, and animated throughout life by Christian principles, they have found no vulnerable point, and vie with his admirers in according him the praise he deserves. There are many incidents in the life of the great Virginian which appeal to all lovers of great and good men. The last chapters are especially suggestive, as in them the true greatness of the man shines forth. Rising superior to difficulties and disappointments is of all life's issues the most difficult. The ambitious and envious find it peculiarly trying, especially those conscious of possessing genius. It was different with Robert E. Lee. He retired from scenes of strife, and, far from the madding crowd, was greater in defeat than in victory, and his star is now and ever will be the alpha of a great constellation.

The correspondent of the Birmingham Post at London who seems to have unique sources of news in regard to diplomatic affairs, telegraphs today:

"There is a growing belief in well informed quarters that Japan may soon acquire the Philippines by purchase or exchange. The idea has strongly suggested itself to the American authorities and it is not improbable that the proposal which it is known has been made to America by Japan, though it may be officially denied, will be seriously considered at Washington."

It would be a decided relief to thousands of Americans who have the welfare of the country at heart to see the islands pass from the control of the United States in an honorable manner. They cost originally twenty million of dollars and hundreds of millions have since been expended in subduing the natives and garrisoning the islands to say nothing of the lives sacrificed. These possessions will eventually plunge this country into war, and the sooner they are unloaded the better.

THE members of the State legislature who have offered good roads bills are keenly disappointed by a discovery that their efforts will probably be in vain. The plans of the good roads men so far as creating a fund by increasing the State tax for this special purpose is concerned, are knocked all awry. It appears that under section 189 of the constitution such a special tax as contemplated is prohibited. But the general State tax rate of 20 cents for the expenses of government and the indebtedness of the State may be increased. It would be possible therefore to raise the amount needed for road building by this means. The new constitution, it seems, will be a block to many measures introduced in the legislature.

ANOTHER illustration of the folly of the code of honor existing at the U. S. Naval Academy was brought to light yesterday by the hazing trials when one cadet testified that another had hazed him and abused him because he would not make arrangements for him to be introduced to a certain young lady of the fourth class man's acquaintance. Instances of hazing for reasons of this kind are occasionally brought to light and show that the under class men are almost completely at the mercy of the class above them.

## From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, Jan. 19. The invitations for the wedding of Miss Alice Roosevelt and Mr. Nicholas Longworth are being engraved in Washington. At least 5,000 invitations to the reception that will be held at the White House after the ceremony are being done here, and presumably as many more are being made in New York. About 500 ceremony cards have been engraved, which will be inclosed to the special friends and officials. These read simply, "Ceremony at 12 o'clock." These are small cards of the very simplest style. Neither the ceremony cards nor the invitations to the reception bear the golden eagle so familiar to all who receive invitations from the White House. The invitations will not be sent out until next week. There will be between 1200 and 1500 people at least at the reception. It is understood there will be additional cards sent out after the wedding, announcing the date of the first day "at home" of the bride and groom. Mr. Longworth has announced that he will have eight ushers and a best man, but will give no names until about February 1.

It was announced at the Navy Department today that Midshipman Meriwether's resignation from the Naval Academy will not be accepted. If he is

acquitted of the hazing charge upon which he has just been tried, he will be compelled to serve on his year's sentence for the killing of Midshipman Branch; if convicted, the department's course is uncertain, but some method will likely be devised to continue the punishment inflicted in the Branch case, even though dismissal should be the sentence in the hazing case. It is also announced that the three midshipmen who have been apprehended for "frenching" will be given exemplary punishment, although they will not be dismissed from the academy.

It is announced at the State Department this morning that the first United States Ambassador to Japan will be Luke E. Wright, of Tennessee, at present governor general of the Philippines, who will resign that office in order to take up his new duties at Tokio. It was further announced that David E. Thompson, former ambassador to Brazil, will be sent to Mexico and Lloyd Griscom, former minister to Japan, will be sent to Brazil. Governor Wright, the new ambassador to Tokio saw service in the Confederate army during the civil war, was later Attorney General of Tennessee and has been a commissioner of the Philippines and Secretary of the Philippines as governor general for 2 years. Vice Governor Henry C. Ide, ranking member of the Philippine Commission has been selected to succeed Gen. Wright as governor general. It is officially announced that Gov. Ide will serve only until June 1 next, when he will retire on his own application, and that Gen. James F. Smith, a member of the commission, will then be appointed to succeed him as governor general.

The House committee on interstate and foreign commerce today decided to vote next Tuesday on the railroad rate bills under consideration. The majority will support the Hepburn bill; the minority the Dacey bill. The former substitutes a "reasonable maximum," the latter a "reasonable" for an unreasonable rate. The committee will divide along political lines, and submit reports on the two bills.

The House leaders have agreed to take up the railroad bill next week. It will be reported Tuesday, and brought up for consideration on the day following. Representative Watson, of Indiana, the Republican whip, has sent notices for a full republican membership for that day.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Holmes, of New York, who was arrested Wednesday in connection with the case of the announced intention of calling on the President, was released this morning and placed in the care of her husband, who had come on from New York. The arrest had been made at the request of the President.

Secretary Wilson, of the Agriculture Department, it can be said, regards as unjust the mission of the Bureau of Statistics that declare the estimates on crops, other than cotton, have been far out of the way.

The Senate committee on the District of Columbia, at its session today, kept on the floor the nomination of Henry L. West as District Commissioner, thus disposing of the Stutler charges against him.

Senator McLaughlin, of Mississippi, headed a delegation to the House today, to urge the passage of the bill for the purpose of securing a warship for the Natchez Maritimes. The Mississippians told the President that the celebration would take place on the last Tuesday in February and they believed that the order requested if some ship could be spared from the Gulf without detriment to the service.

The Senate committee on inter-oceanic trade sent into session this morning to discuss further the controversy of Poultry Bigelow, the witness who yesterday refused to give names of his informants as to conditions on the islands. The committee has heard the testimony of Wallace, former chief engineer of the canal, asking him when it would be convenient for him to appear and testify. Senator Simmons made the principal speech in opposition to action against Bigelow. He said that if the committee is to take the first witness and prosecute him, because of his refusal to give information, which he considered confidential, it would have the effect of intimidating every other witness. Governor John T. Taliferro supported the view that newspaper men hold a position analogous to that of an attorney and that they should not be required to disclose confidences reposed in them. These arguments decided the committee and it adjourned with the tacit understanding that Mr. Bigelow should not be prosecuted, that he should not be required to answer the questions to which he objected, and that he should be allowed to leave the country. The committee will report to the things he actually saw on the isthmus.

## Fifty-ninth Congress.

Washington, Jan. 19.

SENATE. The Senate was not in session today having adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.

In committee of the whole the House today gave consideration to the urgent deficiency appropriation bill carrying a total of \$15,215,508. Of this sum, \$5,340,786 is to continue work on the Panama canal.

Mr. Littauer, who has charge of the measure, made a statement explaining the various items of the bill.

## COURT OF APPEALS.

The following opinions were handed down yesterday by the Court of Appeals:

By James Keith, president: Chesapeake and Potomac Railroad Company vs. Beasley, Conch & Co., Circuit Court of the District of Columbia. Affirmed.

Pendleton's administrator vs. Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company. Law and Equity Court of city of Richmond. Affirmed.

United Moderns vs. Rathbun. Circuit Court of Elizabeth City county. Reversed.

Townsend et al. vs. Norfolk Railway and Light Company. Circuit Court of city of Norfolk. Reversed.

American Tobacco Company vs. Polanco. Corporation Court of city of Danville. Reversed and remanded for new trial.

Knickerbocker Ice and Cold Storage Company vs. Beaumester. Circuit Court of city of Newport News. Reversed.

By Judge Buchanan: Stocks' administrator vs. Southern Railway Company. Affirmed. Plaintiff loses.

Norfolk and Western Railway Company vs. Ella Gee. Circuit Court of Nottingham county. Reversed and remanded for new trial.

By Judge Harrison: Hoback vs. Commonwealth. Circuit Court of Floyd county. Reversed.

Winder vs. Nock et al. Circuit Court of Northampton county. Affirmed. Plaintiff loses.

Hoover, et al. vs. Saunders. Corporation Court of city of Newport News. Writ of error dismissed.

By Judge Whitely: Hall vs. Hall. Circuit Court of Buckingham county. Reversed and remanded for correction.

Allison's executors vs. Wood. Circuit Court of Culpeper county. Reversed and remanded for new trial.

Among the petitions for appeals, etc., was one from the Commonwealth vs. Warren, Circuit Court of city of Norfolk. Writ of error and supersedeas. Bond \$2,500.

Other proceedings of the court were as follows:

Redwood et al. vs. Rogers et al. Argued and submitted.

Newport News and Old Point Railway and Electric Company vs. Lake; argued and concluded until Saturday.

The court will not be in session today, it being a State holiday.

## News of the Day.

China continues to refuse to sign with Great Britain the Tibetan treaty, and is anxious to assert Chinese sovereignty over that country.

The trial of a number of weightmasters at the Chicago stockyards, accused of defrauding shippers, was begun yesterday. One of the men confessed.

A score of people were injured, some seriously, by the fall of a part of a balcony during a minstrel performance at Fields' Opera House, Washington, Ga., last night.

Vice President Fairbanks won a victory over Senator Beveridge yesterday in the organization of the Indianapolis Republican State committee his candidate for chairman being elected.

Hon. Harry S. George Tucker, president of the Jamestown Exposition Company, reached New York last night from a trip through Europe in behalf of the exposition, to be held in 1907.

Secretary Bonaparte appeared before the House committee on naval affairs yesterday to urge that the Secretary of the Navy be given authority to dismiss midshipmen at the Naval Academy.

The Mississippi Mill, at Weson, the largest cotton mill of the South, have gone into the hands of a receiver. There is a bonded debt of \$300,000, but other liabilities and the assets are not known.

A general meeting of the Maryland commission to the Jamestown Exposition was held yesterday, at which a resolution was passed calling upon the legislature to appropriate \$100,000 to aid the exposition.

The Moroccan conference has reached an agreement on the main lines of a plan for the repression of contraband entering Morocco. The stiff attitude of Great Britain is considered a danger in the conference.

European statesmen and educators have joined in a petition to President Roosevelt to bring about "the concert of the European powers to secure peace and protection for the Armenians and others in the Ottoman Empire."

Dr. Swan M. Burnett, an oculist, famed for his investigations in scientific research, died suddenly of heart disease yesterday at his home, 916 Farragut square, Washington. Dr. Burnett was the former husband of Frances Hodgson Burnett, the authoress and playwright. He was born in New Market, Tenn., March 18, 1847, and was therefore over fifty-nine years of age at the time of his death.

Hazing of a brutal nature at the Naval Academy was revealed during the trial of Midshipman Chester A. A. Bloebum, at Annapolis, yesterday afternoon, more plainly than in any previous proceedings. Three fourth class men testified without the slightest hesitation that they had been hazed by Bloebum until they were utterly exhausted, one severe physical exercise after another being required of them until they lacked power to continue.

Wilton Heindrich, of Washington, cannot see through rabbits' eyes. An operation yesterday at the Episcopal Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital there disclosed the fact that the cornea is too opaque. Physicians hope that in course of time the patient's optic nerves will strengthen to such an extent that partial vision can be restored, but announce that the chances of an operation whereby the cornea of the rabbit is grafted are not likely to prove successful.

Mrs. Frances Pananorie, a thrifty housewife, with a distrust for savings banks, kept the family bankroll in a belt around her waist, under her clothing. Three men, unknown to her, entered her flat, at 72 Thompson street, New York yesterday, stole the money and escaped. The woman is in St. Vincent's Hospital in a precarious condition. The robbery was committed in broad daylight, but no one appears to have heard the struggle.

Senator Goldsborough, of Carolina county, Md., has an anti-cigarette bill in preparation, which he will introduce in the Senate next week. The main section of the bill is as follows: "That it shall be unlawful for any person, by himself, clerk, servant, employee or agent, directly or indirectly, upon any pretense or by any device, to manufacture, sell, exchange, barter, dispose of or give away, or keep for sale, any cigarette, cigarette paper or cigarette wrappers, or any paper made or prepared for the purpose of being filled with tobacco for smoking, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, etc."

The present financial crisis at Zion City has brought out the fact that John Alexander Dowie has been temporarily deposed, and that his trip to the Bermudas was part of the general plan to transfer control to the triumvirate with as little publicity as possible.

## The Murder of Mrs. Hollister.

Mrs. Franklin C. Hollister, whose brutal murder by Richards Ivens has aroused Chicago, was held a prisoner in an empty house in Montana street for hours before she was killed by a gang of five young hoodlums, of which her slayer was one, according to a story which has just been told to the police.

The story confirms the theory upon which Mrs. Hollister's family and the members of the Wesley Church, in the choir of which she sang, have insisted from the first. Mrs. Hollister, according to the story, was seen by the gang as she came from Montana street, near Lincoln avenue. One of their number overtook her in Lincoln avenue.

"Mrs. Hollister," he said, "there is a poor family starving to death in an empty house in Montana street. Won't you come and see what can be done for them."

"I shall be glad to do so," replied the unsuspecting woman.

She was conducted to where the quartet lay in ambush. As she entered the house, she was seized and gagged. After she had been kept there several hours, Ivens, it is said, insisted she should be killed. He was overruled, and her life was spared on condition that she promise not to tell her family or the police. She is said to have promised this.

Ivens and another were delegated to follow Mrs. Hollister home to see that she kept her word. But Ivens, it is said, induced his companion to leave him by telling him he would watch her. He trailed her, it is declared, until she passed his father's carpenter shop. There, it is believed, he decided upon a second attack, and her murder was the result.

Two more attacks upon women in the streets of Chicago came to light yesterday. They occurred on a well-lighted boulevard and in a thickly settled, high-class residence street.

At her residence, 427 South Fairfax street, January 17, 1936, Mrs. MARY A. WARDER, aged 75 years, was found dead. Her body was discovered on Sunday afternoon, January 21, at 2:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

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## Virginia News.

The rapid progress in the legislature of Mr. Rew's bill for the protection of shellfish has alarmed the Tidewater crab industry.

Congressman Robert G. Southall, of Amelia county, is critically ill at a hotel in Richmond. He is suffering with pneumonia.

Mrs. Mary E. McCracken, widow of Bernard McCracken, died in Fredericksburg yesterday after a lingering illness, aged about 55 years.

Miss Florence Marie Henry, of Philadelphia, and Robert Emmett Daffon, of Richmond, were married Tuesday afternoon in Philadelphia.

Judge Waddill, of the federal court, in Norfolk, yesterday issued a conditional order for the sale of the Bay Shore trolley road to Ocean View, which has been in charge of receivers for two years.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has expressed a wish to donate to Leesburg a public library building, provided the town would contribute a proper sum for its support. An effort will be made to raise the desired amount.

The case at Charlottesville of Hawkins and Miel, charged with blackmailing the late R. D. Ballentine, of Edgehill, and New Jersey, has been continued until February 26. Both men are out on bail.

The State convention of the Anti-Sal League at its session yesterday in Petersburg elected Rev. J. W. Mitchell, of Richmond, president. The fixing of the next place of meeting was referred to the executive committee.

Robert Haines, a well-to-do farmer of Spottsylvania county, wandered away from his home Tuesday afternoon. Wednesday about noon his body was found in a swamp near Summit, about a mile and a half from the nearest house.

James C. Dickie, an auditor's clerk of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, met a horrible fate in Norfolk last night while on his way home, his arms full of bundles. He was crushed beneath a century-old wall built to keep slaves in at night.

Because it is alleged he failed to account to the State Board of Fisheries for fines to the amount of \$300 that he had collected from violators of the State, Captain Savage, of the Potomac, has been dismissed, and Mate J. T. Anner-ton has been promoted to succeed him.

The House committee on military affairs yesterday directed a favorable report on the bill introduced by Representative Prince appropriating \$200,000 for use in marking the graves of Confederate soldiers who died in northern prisons and hospitals during the civil war. There are 24,000 of these graves in various northern States.

The State Board of Agriculture, has appointed the following fertilizer inspectors for the next year: E. I. Nock, First district; E. C. Madison, Second district; John A. Lester, Third district; L. D. Jones, Fourth district; A. L. Moore, Fifth district; Byrd Anderson, Sixth district; G. B. Parrott, Seventh district; W. C. Waite, Eighth district; J. W. Williams, Ninth district, and J. H. Leech, Tenth district.

Gen. Scott Shipp and Alexander Hamilton deny that any efforts have been made to choke off an investigation of the affairs of the Virginia Military Institute by the Legislature. An executive session of the board of visitors of the institute was held in Richmond Wednesday night. It seems now to be practically assured that an inquiry will be made into the affairs of both the Virginia Military Institute and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute before the end of the present session of the Legislature.

A fire early yesterday morning in the business block bounded by Eleventh, Twelfth, Main and Cary streets, Richmond, caused damage estimated at about \$50,000. The fire was confined to the mechanical plant of the Everett-Wadley Company, the Lexington Hotel, and the Richmond Type Company's plant. The fire started from an unknown cause in the type foundry, and was not discovered until good headway had been made. The damage to the type foundry has not been fixed, but it is likely to run above \$10,000 or \$12,000, with \$9,000 insurance. The damage to the Wadley plant will easily reach \$35,000, with insuring to about \$40,000. The damage to the hotel has not been estimated, but it will be covered by insurance.

The orthodox Hebrews of Portsmouth, are somewhat exercised because of the teaching of the New Testament and the memorizing by the pupils in the public schools of verses based on biblical accounts of the nativity. Rev. H. Beam-sche, minister of Gomley Chessed Synagogue of Portsmouth, has consulted with the superintendent of schools, Joseph M. Saunders, on the subject. Asked regarding the matter yesterday morning, the minister stated that it had been reported to him by the parents of a number of Hebrew children who attend the public schools that it is made a part of their school duties to learn teaching of the New Testament, and that there is a feeling that teachings contrary to the faith of these children's parents should not be taught in the public schools.

With its issue of the first instant, the Alexandria Gazette, one of the oldest newspapers in America, entered upon its 107th volume. It is not believed, however, that this indicates the exact date of the establishment of the publication. While the files of the Gazette date back to the first year of the nineteenth century, there are copies in existence that bear date in the eighteenth century, one containing an account of the death of George Washington.

[Washington Post.]

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## THE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE. The Senate yesterday engaged in an animated discussion over the report of the committee on rules relative to excluding the public from the floor of the House. Senator Phlegar, who offered the amendment to the rules, said experience in previous sessions had demonstrated that it was unwise to admit the public to the floor as heretofore. The State's business demanded that every facility should be given the members, and that a large and spacious gallery had been provided for visitors.

Several Senators supported Mr. Phlegar but there was more opposition than advocacy among the speakers. After amendments, exempting the families of members and allowing members to take constituents to the cloak-rooms the report was adopted.

The following bills were presented: Providing that the judgment of a Circuit or Corporation Court, or other law court of record, in any action of law requiring a plaintiff to remit any part of his recovery as ascertained by the jury may be the subject of review by the Supreme Court.

To amend section 1414 of the code relating to location of cemeteries and limitation as to quantity of land.

By Senator Machen: Authorizing and permitting the creation of estates by devise or deed of gift, to which estate of courtesy and dower shall not attach.

To amend section 3322 of the code relating to orders of publication.

To amend the act to authorize cities and incorporated towns to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading rooms.

To prohibit the killing of certain game in the State east of the Blue Ridge Mountains in the years 1936 and 1937.

To amend an act to provide for the payment of printing and publishing for the State Corporation Commission out of the general appropriation for public printing.

To provide for the appointment of an auditing committee and to appropriate money to pay the expenses of same.

To prevent capturing or sale of wild turkeys, partridge or quail and pheasants or grouse for the purpose of shipping, and to prohibit the chasing deer with dogs.

To amend section 3780 of the code—carrying concealed weapons.

The Senate adjourned until Monday in honor of the memory of Gen. Lee.

HOUSE. Mr. Robt. E. Lee, jr., presided in the House in a fair and forceful manner, having been designated to do so by Speaker Cardwell, who was called home by illness in his family.

The following bills were introduced in the House.

To amend the act approved March 3, 1894, in relation to working and keeping in repair the roads and bridges of Alexandria county.

To provide a uniform system of accounts for treasurers and clerks of the cities and counties and county and district school boards of this State; to provide for a traveling auditor of accounts, his expenses, salary, &c.

To prevent any person or persons from obtaining money, goods, &c., on promise of work, with intent to cheat or defraud another and penalties therefor.

To amend section 3317 of the code in reference to removal by courts, or their judges, without motion or notice of suits, &c., which it is improper for them to try.

Regarding section 2494 of the code, as amended, in relation to liens on crops for advances to farmers; nature of agreement therefore: where and what matter docketed, &c.

To prohibit the selling of hogs to minors or students.

To amend section 3138 of the code relative to the method whereby any citizen residing in the State may change his name and prescribing penalties for violation thereof.

Amending section 3707 of the code defining larceny and punishment therefor.

Creating office of trial justice of the peace and re-enacting certain acts of Assembly as to fees of justices, sheriffs and constables.

To exempt dentists from jury service.

To appropriate the sum of \$14,500 for certain improvements, buildings and acquisition of additional land at and for the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind.

To prohibit the manufacture, sale or giving away of cigarettes, cigarette papers, and other substitutes for the same and repealing acts in conflict.

To amend and re-enact sections 1 and 2, as amended, and sections 7, 12, 15, 18 and 20 of an act entitled "an act to aid the citizens of Virginia who were disabled by wounds received during the war between the States, etc."

Among the bills introduced in the House Tuesday were the following:

In reference to general and special elections; when and where to be held; regulations for their conduct and government; compensation for services in election.

Providing when voters registered; duties of registers; their pay.

To amend the code in relation to salaries and emoluments of judges of the Circuit Courts.

To enforce contracts between laborer and employer and to fix a penalty for its breach.

To prescribe an oath to be taken by candidates for nomination and election to public office.

Requiring the several county and district school boards of Virginia to make and publish annually a statement of receipts and disbursements and providing a penalty for failing to do so.

To release conditionally taxes due the State, counties, cities and districts on lands which were returned as delinquent prior to January 1, 1895.

To amend the act to prevent the pollution of potable waters used for the supply of cities and towns, approved February 29, 1932.

To create a road board for the county of Fauquier and to provide for the working of the roads of said county and for the protection of the same.

Verdict of Acquittal.

Altos, Pa., Jan. 19.—After being on trial four days for the life of John O'Connor, who killed Charles Brough in a pistol duel in the latter's home November 24, was acquitted, the jury rendering a verdict at one o'clock this morning after being out nine hours.

Brough enticed O'Connor's wife away from home the night before the tragedy by picking up her child on the street. She followed to his home, where she had been housekeeper, and on the stand swore that she was virtually kidnapped by Brough and he prevented her leaving the house. O'Connor went to the house for his child and the shooting occurred. O'Connor was immediately released from custody. Sentiment was with him.

Indigestion Overcome.

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